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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Steamer cleared at New Orleans with 1,000 horses for Cape Town. —— Gen. Kitchener is negotiating with some of the Boer leaders for surrender. —— Serious riot at San Juan, Porto Rico, suppressed by the military. —— President McKinley has issued an order abolishing the Cuban export duty on tobacco from April 1st next. —— Montana Legislature elected Paris Gibson, a Democrat, U. S. Senator. —— British steamer wrecked on the coast of Spain; all on board were lost —— Bulgaria is alarmed at the concentration of Turkish troops on the Macedonian frontier. —— Secret negotiations are going on between the United States and Great Britain with a view to preventing Russia seizing part of the Chinese empire. —— The extra session of the Senate will probably adjourn to day. —— The Boers failed in their attack on Lichtenburg; DeWet's present position is not known. —— A heavy gale is sweeping the English channel. —— Political demonstrations in Cuba have ceased. —— Taree negroes, convicted of murder, hanged at Opelousas, La. —— Ex President Harrison is alarmingly ill —— N Y. markets: Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent.; cotton dull, middling uplands 8½c; flour steady; wheat—spot quiet and firm, No. 3 red 80½c f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot steady but dull, No. 2 48½c at elevator; oats—spot firm, No. 2 31c; rosin dull; spirits turpentine steady at 30½@40c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 8.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 38 degrees; 8 P. M., 53 degrees; maximum, 59 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees; mean, 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, .00.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., 3 1 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—For North Carolina—Rain Saturday; continued high temperature, except warmer in southeastern portion; southeasterly winds, fresh to brisk on the coast; Sunday fair.

Port Almanac—March 9.

Sun Rises	6 25 A. M.
Sun Sets	6 02 P. M.
Day's Length	11 h 43 M.
High Water at Southport.	9 46 A. M.
High Water Wilmington.	12.16 A. M.

Fire in the oil field at Beaumont, Texas, a couple days ago, destroyed many houses and about half a million barrels of oil.

Kaiser William doesn't propose to let the Krupps get the grip on him, and will erect a great steel armor plant to be run by the Government.

Up to the end of last year Russia had expended on the trans-Siberian railroad $323,000,000. It will require millions more to finish the job.

If ex-Senator Mills, of Texas, be reasonably economical he can live comfortably in his old age. He is getting about $15,000 a month from the oil wells on his Texas lands.

"Wealth" may be, as a socialist who is not wealthy says it is, "a disease," but there are very few people running away from it, and we don't hear of it being quarantined.

Lord Wolseley, commander-in-chief of the British army, objects to being treated as a mere figure-head. There are some commanders who seem to enjoy that. There's General Miles, for instance.

Carman, the American contractor, who was arrested in Manila for furnishing the Filipino fighters with supplies, says that when he made dollars "others made money, too." He probably said that when he made a dollar others made two. The question now is who the "others" were. They are some of the fellows who hold that "trade follows the flag."

The question is asked if Senator Carter, of Montana, now an ex, was inspired to talk that river and harbor bill to death. Of course he was. The Republicans wanted to keep those $60,000,000 out of the appropriations, which were uncomfortably large, and yet some of the men who rejoiced at the killing of that bill, would have voted $190,000,000 to Hanna's ship subsidy grab, under pretence of aiding our commerce.

The city of Charleston which has been exercised over the pure water question, is felicitating itself over the discovery that there are within ten miles of the city, springs which have a flow of nearly 8,000,000 gallons a day, which with careful treatment may be increased to 16,000,000. This water comes up through stratas of sand from a depth of from 300 to 400 feet and is found by chemical tests to be pure. It can be piped into the city at small expense.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Rev. A. D. McClure will preach at Pearsall's school house, in East Wilmington, on next Sabbath afternoon at 4 o'clock.

— Wilmington Lodge of Masons will confer the Master's degree to-night. See official notice in advertising columns.

— The steamer *Compton* will make a trip to Southport to morrow, leaving at 9 A. M. and returning about 6 o'clock in the evening.

— British steamship *Cairnmore* cleared light yesterday for a cargo at Brunswick, Ga.; schooner *C. C Lister* arrived from New York.

— In the advertising columns proposals are invited for furnishing the city with labor and material for the year ending March 31st, 1902.

— Mr. Charles C. Chadbourn has purchased the drayage business of Mr. W. M. Howey and will greatly enlarge and improve the service.

— Mr. George Harriss is nominated by "Many Property Owners" as an Alderman from the Third Ward in a card printed in to day's paper.

— Rev. P. C. Morton will speak at the Y. M C A. at the service to-morrow afternoon. He will preach at the new church at Delgado to-morrow night.

— S. Abramowitz will remove his stock of goods Monday, March 11th, from No. 128½ Market street to No. 20 South Second street, where he will open a house furnishing store.

— The name of Mr. W. J. Reaves has been presented by friends as a suitable person to be nominated at the Democratic primaries Monday week as an Alderman from the Fifth Ward.

— Rev. Dr. Ivey, editor of the Raleigh *Christian Advocate*, will preach at Grace Methodist Church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and at Fifth Street Church Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

— A deed was filed yesterday at the Court House transferring from Samuel Northrop, commissioner, to Mrs Robert H. Northrop, property 50x82 feet on Dock street between Fifth and Sixth; consideration, $1,050.

— A real Irish shillelah has been presented to Mr. J. T. Burke by Mr. J. Gurnie Hirst, first assistant engineer on board the British steamship *Oaklands*, now in port. Mr. Burke has the article in his show window on South Front street.

— Next Wednesday night the United Workers of the First Baptist Church will present a charming little charade, "A Bunch of Red Roses," taken from a recent issue of the *Saturday Evening Post* Refreshments will be served afterwards.

— The STAR has with the compliments of its young friend, Mr. A. G. Hankins, Jr., formerly of this city, but now connected with the U. S. Hospital Corps at Manila, a copy of the Christmas edition of the Manila *Times*. It is an interesting study in the journalism of the far away island.

— The STAR is asked by friends of Capt. James I. Metts to say that his name was presented to the Second Ward meeting as a candidate for Alderman Thursday night without his knowledge or consent. Capt. Metts is not a candidate for such favors and in deference to the wishes of his friends this statement is made.

— Past Grand Chancellor W. J. Woodward has selected the teams of Wilmington Pythians who will go to Clarkton on March 21st to institute a new lodge there by direction of Grand Chancellor Montcastle, of Lexington, N. C. Twenty five or thirty members of the four lodges in Wilmington will make up the teams for conferring the three ranks.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Taxpayer—Notice.
Masonic—Meeting Wil. Lodge.
The Mayor—Sealed proposals.
George Harriss—For Alderman.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Oranges.
Seacoast Road—Schedule change.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Sabramonitz—Will move.
Strayed—Liberal reward for mule.

Dr. Bomar Will Speak on Missions.

Rev. E. E. Bomar, D. D, assistant secretary of Foreign Missions will arrive from Richmond to night and will be the guest of Dr. Blackwell. Dr. Bomar will speak at the First Baptist church at 11 A. M. Sunday, at Southside Baptist church at night and at Brooklyn church at 3 P. M. Dr. Bomar is a great master of assemblies. While he is a Baptist secretary, all denominations will be thrilled by his speech on world wide missions.

A Popular Visitor.

Miss Marie Baldwin arrived last evening from Annapolis, Md., and is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. A. Arringdale. A party composed of the following went up to Goldsboro yesterday morning to meet Miss Baldwin and returned with her: Mrs. J. A. Arringdale, Mrs. M. L. Stover, Misses Jennie Harriss, Catherine Harriss, Carrie Harriss and Mary Borden.

Early Train on Seacoast Road.

Announcement is made in another column to the effect that beginning Monday, March 11th, a train will leave Wilmington on the Wilmington Seacoast railroad every Monday morning at 6:30 o'clock. The train leaving Wilmington at 6 o'clock Sunday afternoon has been discontinued.

SEASON'S BASE BALL

Wilmington Now a Full Fledged Member of the Virginia-Carolina League.

THE MEETING LAST NIGHT.

Organization Perfected by Election of Officers and Manager—Team Will Be Quickly Signed for Season Opening April 15th.

Plans are complete and practically all the money has been subscribed for the maintenance of a team by Wilmington in the Virginia-North Carolina Base Ball League, and all that now remains is a collection of the funds and the signing of a team, which work will be pushed with the utmost possible dispatch within the next few days.

The final step was taken last night at an enthusiastic meeting of local base ball enthusiasts at the Elks' Temple, at which there were more than a hundred present, including Secretary Doran, of the League, who has worked persistently in Wilmington's interest since the possibility of her entering the organization was first suggested.

The officers and members of the executive commitee, who were decided upon and elected at the meeting, are as follows:

President—Mr. W. A. Dick.
Secretary and Treasurer—Mr. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr. 3rd.
Manager—Mr. Henry B. Peschau.
Executive Committee—Messrs. W. A. Dick, A. B. Skelding, J. A. Arringdale, Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr. 3rd, and S. H Fishblate.

The Executive Committee arrived at its elections after the meeting of subscribers as above and each member of the committee and officers promised his individual best endeavor to the promotion of the sport. Manager Peschau will at once begin the signing of a team and it is safe to predict that it will be a "winner." The stars on last season's Wilmington nine will all likely be signed for this year and a very strong reinforcement will be had from other sources with which Manager Peschau is already in correspondence.

The meeting upon motion of Col. Walker Taylor was called to order by Mr. W. F. Robertson and Mr. R. C. DeRosset was chosen secretary.

Secretary E. J. Doran, who was present by invitation addressed the meeting much in the same manner as the night previous at the conference of a number of enthusiasts at the Elks' Club. He explained each detail of the plans for the League, all of which was highly satisfactory to all present. Upon the close of his remarks and answers to questions by different members of the assembly, Col. Walker Taylor suggested that the meeting of subscribers proceed to organize by the election of an executive committee of five to be proposed by a nominating committee of three to be named by the chairman. Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., amended the motion after some discussion to the effect that in consideration of the liberal donation of the Wilmington Street Railway Company that Mr. A. B. Skelding, general manager of the company, be made one director and that the others be nominated upon the floor by those present, each one being allowed to vote regardless of the stock owned. After much further discussion, the amendment prevailed and nominations were made as follows: Messrs. S. H. Fishblate, Walker Taylor, W. F. Robertson, C. H. White, Jack Bellamy, F. H. Stedman, W. A. Dick, J. A. Arringdale, E. S. Battle and George L. Peschau. Of this number, Messrs. Robertson, White, Taylor, Battle, Stedman and Peschau declined to serve, and the following were chosen, each having received the voted designated: Mr. A. B. Skelding, unanimous; Mr. W. A. Dick, 29; Mr. J. A. Arringdale, 24; Mr. Jack Bellamy, 23; Mr. S. H. Fishblate, 22.

Each one of the newly elected officers responded in speeches pledging their best efforts toward the maintenance of a winning team, after which a unanimous vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Doran for his courtesy in visiting Wilmington and for his kindly sentiment toward the city expressed. Mr. Doran responded in his usual characteristic happy vein, complimenting Wilmington upon the showing made and pledging his gratuitous services to the team whenever needed He was warmly applauded.

The general meeting then adjourned and a session of the executive committee was held at which business was transacted as stated above.

Secretary Doran may leave to-day for Charlotte and will later visit Winston and Greensboro in an effort to organize teams. Durham has been dropped from the prospective list of cities that will make the League. Secretary Doran has made many friends during his brief stay in the city and Wilmington will welcome his coming again. He is a base ball man because he loves it and the League can have no more enthusiastic or capable officer.

Regulators at Faison.

A correspondent of the STAR writing from Faison, N. C., under date of March 7th, says that on the night previous a body of twelve "Regulators" visited the house of one John Darden, a bumptious colored resident, and administered to him a "tonic," the day and date of which he will long remember. He resisted the crowd at first, and called for his gun, but was later brought to terms and properly "regulated."

THE POISONING CASE.

Jury Unable to Agree Upon Verdict As to the Death of Aiken Woman—An Analysis Wanted.

The coroner's jury in the case of Minnie Aiken, colored, supposed to have been poisoned to death by Arthur Cooper, colored, with whom she lived, met yesterday morning and returned the following verdict:

"We the jury of inquest are unable to find how the deceased, Minnie Aiken, came to her death."

The verdict is signed by Coroner Stokes and the jury, composed as follows: Geo. M. Grant (foreman), J. D. Mote, Jordan Branch, W. G. Brinkley, R. E. Daniels and C. R. Anderson, (secretary).

Cooper is still being held at the county jail notwithstanding the verdict and it is likely that his case will be brought up at next week's Criminal Court. The circumstantial evidence is very strong against him but the jury did not feel disposed to place upon him the responsibility of the death unless an analysis of the contents of the woman's stomach exhibited signs of arsenical poisoning to bear out the statements of witnesses relative to the purchase and use of the dangerous compound which he claims was bought for the purpose of ridding his house of rats.

The stomach has been sent to Dr. Charles Baskerville at the State University for analysis, which it is said will cost upwards of $300 and for which the County Commissioners have signified their unwillingness to pay. In the meantime the case appears to very much in a muddle and it is likely the negro will be discharged unless this further evidence is secured.

LEAVES FOR FORT MONROE.

Lieut. W. P. Platt Has Been Assigned to the 58th Company, Coast Artillery.

Lieut. W. P. Platt yesterday received orders from the War Department assigning him to a second lieutenancy with the Fifty eighth Company, Coast Artillery, stationed at Fort Monroe, and he will leave for that point on this evening's Atlantic Coast Line train arriving there in time to report for duty Sunday.

Lieut. Platt has been with his parents in Wilmington for the past eighteen days since his graduation with honors from West Point and has received many social attentions and has added to his already long list of friends in the city, all of whom will regret that his leave of absence cannot be longer.

A Fire at Keith, N. C.

News has reached the city of the burning Tuesday morning at about 11 o'clock of the residence and smoke house of Mr. G. W. Corbett, one of the largest farmers in the Keith section of Pender county. The fire originated from a defective flue and the residence and smokehouse with entire contents were burned, entailing a loss of more than $1,500 upon which there was not a cent of insurance. The barn and stables on the plantation were saved with difficulty by employes on the adjoining farm of Mr. B. F. Keith, of this city. Mr. Corbett and family have been munificently offered the dwelling on Mr. Keith's plantation until they can rebuild.

The Habeas Corpus Case.

Before leaving for his home at Lincolnton yesterday Judge Hoke rendered his decision in the habeas corpus proceedings of P. W. Young, reference to which has been made several times recently in these columns. By the decision the defendant will have to answer the charges preferred against him in the two warrants at next week's term of the Criminal Court. The decision was not construed as wholly adverse to the position taken by Mr. McClammy, of counsel for Young, but was sufficiently in favor of the prosecution to admit of his being bound over.

Will Organize "Primary Union."

The attention of teachers in the primary and junior grades in the various Sunday schools in the city is called to the fact that this afternoon at 4 o'clock is the time for the organization of a "Primary Union" as an auxiliary to the International Sunday School Committee, to which meeting they are cordially invited to attend and participate. The meeting will be held in the Y. M. C. A. parlors and it is earnestly desired that a large number of Sunday school workers be present.

A Natural Curiosity.

Mr. H. K. Holden has at his store, No. 121 Dock street, a curiosity from the natural kingdom in the shape of a root which has taken the form of an animal, resembling the otter or beaver to such a striking degree that many are led to believe that it is a form of petrification. It was picked up by Mr. M. Kaminsky, of this city, about five miles below Fort Anderson, in Brunswick county.

Buried by Odd Fellows.

Wilmington Lodge of Odd Fellows is in receipt of a communication from Mr. George Green, secretary of Eureka Lodge of Odd Fellows, of Newbern, giving notice that they had performed the funeral ceremonies over the remains of the lamented J. B. McDaniel, whose remains were carried to Newbern for interment.

— Iredell Meares, Esq., returned yesterday from Raleigh. William J. Bellamy, Esq., returned yesterday morning.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Wilmington's City Charter Bill Passed Second Reading in the Senate.

WITH MORTON'S AMENDMENT

Bill Creating Sixteen Judicial Districts Passed—House Completed the Revenue Bill—Impeachment Trial. The Cotton Mill Men.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 8.—Morning, afternoon and night sessions in both branches of the Assembly to day characterized the great rush incident to finishing work of the session. The pay of members of the House stops to morrow and they are anxious to dispose of all important business by to-morrow night, when many will leave for their homes. The work will not be finished up, however, before Wednesday.

The House completed consideration of the Revenue act which passed on final reading. Graham's amendment to section 86 for a tax on gross receipts of railroads was reconsidered and voted down, after another lengthy discussion.

The Wilson bill to prevent discrimination against independent manufacturers by requiring corporations to sell their products at a price to cover the cost of manufacture and ten per cent profit, came as the special order and was voted down. The object was to check the American Tobacco Company, but it would affect all manufacturers and close the cotton mills.

Along with the Wilson bill came the Ward-Robinson anti-Trust bill, modelled after the Texas bill. It passed a final reading by a vote of 70 to 9.

Other bills passed the House: To repeal all laws granting exemptions from examinations for certificates as public school teachers to a student of any educational institution; to incorporate the Central Trust Co.; resolution appointing a committee of three to investigate expenses of the steamer Lilly and the shell fish department for the past four years.

The session of the Court of Impeachment was the principal feature of the Senate to day. The court convened at noon to hear replication on the part of managers and counsel for the House to the answer of the defendant judges to the articles of impeachment.

The replication was a general reaffirmation of the articles of impeachment, a denial of statements in defendants' answer, a declaration that the House is ready to prove each and every allegation. The court took recess until Monday noon when the trial will begin.

The following bills passed the Senate: To amend the charter of Dunn; to authorize Richmond county to issue bonds; to provide a stock law in parts of Craven county; to incorporate the Kenansville Air Line Railroad; to incorporate Pinehurst; to repeal all laws granting any person immunity from examination for certificate as public shool teacher.

The bill revising and consolidating the charter of Wilmington came up with Morton's amendment to submit it to a vote of the people, but had to give place to the bill for sixteen judicial districts. While the charter was under discussion Broughton called attention to the protest against the amendment for a vote by the people, signed by the Mayor, Aldermen and others. Morton said there was a large petition on the other side, and two of three newspapers asked for the amendment. That 75 per cent. of the property of the city was against adopting the charter without submitting it to the people. He read extracts from the STAR, and declared every president of a bank in Wilmington asked for the amendment. He was simply asking the Senate to stand by him and do what he believed a majority of the people and the business interests of the city wanted.

During the night session of the Senate Morton finished his speech in advocacy of his amendment for a popular vote on the Wilmington charter and secured unanimous adoption of the amendment. The bill then passed second reading as amended.

The Senate passed the bill creating sixteen judicial districts as it came from the House, except slight changes of dates of certain courts.

The House bill requiring that street cars be provided with vestibules and fenders passed, with an amendment that the Corporation Commission exempt such systems as in their judgment climatic and other conditions make it unnecessary.

The House passed the educational bill to-night, appropriating $200,000 for education. Also, the general road law and the omnibus liquor bill; to amend the charter of Goldsboro; to authorize Goldsboro to issue bonds; to establish the stock law in Warsaw township, Duplin county; to authorize commissioners of New Hanover to make annual appropriations to the Wilmington Light Infantry and Naval Reserves.

The Judiciary Committee of the House will report an agreement with cotton mill owners regulating child labor which will be spread on the records of the General Assembly in lieu of any legislation on the subject. The features of the agreement are: One week's work not to exceed sixty-six hours; no child less than twelve years of age to work in a cotton mill during the term of an available public school; provided that this is not to apply to children of widows or physicialy disabled parents, and that ten years shall be the lowest limit at which children may be worked under any circumstances. Cotton mill owners bind themselves to co-operate with any feasible plan to promote the education of working people in the State and cheerfully submit to their part of the burdens and labors to advance the cause of general education. The agreement is signed by practically all the mill owners of the State.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. N. F. Nixon, of Little river S. C., is here on a business trip.

— Mr. J. S. Thompson, of Hasty, was in the city yesterday on a business trip.

— Mrs. J. A. Brady of Greenville, returned home yesterday, after visiting her parents, Capt. J. M. Williams.

— Superintendent of Streets J. A. Perry is out again after a protracted illness with lagrippe and neuralgia.

— Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McNeill, of Burgaw, were in the city yesterday en route to Savannah to visit relatives and to attend a family reunion there next week.

— Mrs. James D. Smith has succeeded Mrs. E. G Woody as alto singer in the First Presbyterian church choir since the removal of the latter to Richmond, Va.

— Fayetteville *Observer*, 8th: "Miss Lutie Murchison, of Manchester, was in the city to day on her way to Orton to visit her brother, Col. K. M. Murchison."

— Mr. French McQueen, of Lumberton, is being cordially greeted by his numerous friends in Wilmington. He is on his return home from Raleigh where he has been looking after some legislative matters.

— Mr. J. C. Duffy, of Dubuque, Iowa, is in the city the guest of the family of his brother, Maj. P. F. Duffy, on Market street. Mr. Duffy came to Wilmington from Washington where he attended the inauguration.

— Mrs. H. B. Kopf, of Patterson, N. J., who has been the guest of her parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Plummer, for the past five weeks, returned to her home yesterday much to the regret of her many friends in Wilmington.

— Rev. J. B. Boone, D. D., manager of the great Thomasville Baptist Orphange, arrived last night and is a guest of Mr. D. L. Gore. Dr. Boone has over two hundred children under his charge in this ever enlarging orphanage.

— Hon. T. W. Stanland, of Summerville, S. C., member of the State Senate from Dorchester county, returned home yesterday from a visit to his mother in Brunswick county. While in Wilmington he was a guest of his first cousin, Mr. H. D. Stanland, on MacRae street.

— Mr. Joe Westbrook, a very clever young gentleman, who has been for several years with Mr. A. Shrier, the clothier, will leave to-day for Newport News to take a position with Meyer Bros., a large dry goods firm, by which his brother, Mr. Chas. Westbrook, was employed a few months ago.

INTERESTING ATHLETIC EXERCISES.

Basket Ball Game and Kicking and Jumping Contest at the City Hall.

The Boys' Brigade and Naval Reserves played a close game of basket ball last night, which resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 30 to 29. The teams lined up as follows:

Boys' Brigade—Dosher (A.), Irving, Loughlin (J.), Dosher (W.), Dudley.

Naval Reserves—Matthews, Morriss, LeGwin, Hergenrother, Gaul.

Officials—Wetzel, referee; Davis and Delano, umpires; Frank, time keeper.

The high kicking and high jumping contests proved very interesting to the spectators. Mr. Norcum Sweeney won the prize for high kicking. He reached 96 inches. Dr. C. T. Hawes won the prize for high jumping, having cleared 58½ inches. Each of the young gentlemen was presented with a handsome bouquet of flowers.

BILL FOR JUDICIAL DISTRICTS.

Oliver H. Allen, Judge, and Rodolph Duffy, Solicitor—New Hanover Courts.

The bill now pending in the Legislature creating the new sixteen judicial districts provides that Hon. Oliver H. Allen and Rodolph Duffy, Esq., shall be judge and solicitor, respectively, of this, the fifth, district, and the courts for this county are named as follows:

"New Hanover County—Eighth Monday before the first Monday in March, to continue for two weeks, for the trial of criminal cases exclusively; first Monday in March; twelfth Monday after the first Monday in March; eighth Monday before the first Monday in September; third Monday before the first Monday in September; ninth Monday after the first Monday in September, and twelfth Monday after the first Monday in September, each for the trial of criminal cases exclusively; fifth Monday before the first Monday in March; fifth Monday after the first Monday in March, and the fifth Monday after the first Monday in September, each to continue for two weeks for the trial of civil cases exclusively."

Remains Taken to Lumberton.

The remains of the late John Holloway, colored, whose death was announced in yesterday's STAR, were taken on the afternoon S. A. L. train to his old home near Lumberton for interment. Funeral services were held by his pastor from his late residence just before the departure of the train.

The Little River Postmaster.

The Florence correspondent of yesterday's Charleston *News and Courier* in reporting the proceedings of the U. S Court there has this item: "Messrs Cox and Beasant, Horry county post masters, charged with illegally disposing of postage stamps, pleaded guilty. Cox was made to return fifty dollars and pay a fine of fifty dollars. Beasant was fined fifty dollars. A strong petition was presented in his behalf."

Mr. Bellamy Back.

Hon. John D. Bellamy arrived in the city yesterday morning, returning from Washington, the House of Representatives having adjourned for the session. Mrs. Bellamy and other members of his family remained in Washington for a few days, but will return later.

Church Notices.

Bladen Street Methodist Church: Rev. J. J. Porter will preach at 11 A. M., and at the evening service.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. H. H. Herring, pastor. Services 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 30 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting service every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

First Baptist Church, corner of Market and Fifth streets, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor. 11 A. M. Rev. E. E. Bomar, D. D., of Richmond, Va., will speak on "World Wide Missions." 7:45 P. M. the pastor will speak on another commandment, "Thou shalt not bear false witness," with perhaps some local applications.

First Presbyterian Church: Divine service at 11 A. M. and 7 30 P. M., conducted by Rev. John W. Wells Ph. D. Sunday School at 3.45 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure pastor. Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. Sabbath School at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick streets. Rev. J. J. Rayner pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School at 4.00 P. M. Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Fifth Street Methodist Church, situated on Fifth street between Nun and Church, Rev. John H. Hall, pastor. Services on Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 30 o'clock. Sunday School Sunday afternoon at 3.00 o'clock. A cordial invitation extended to all.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. H. Oats. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7 45 p. m. Sunday School, W B Cooper, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MASONIC TEMPLE, March 9th, 1901.

Wilmington Lodge No. 319, A. F. & A. M.

EMERGENT COMMUNICATION THIS (Saturday) evening at 8 o'clock, for work in Master's Degree.
Visiting brethren cordially invited.
By order of W. M.
THOS. F. BAGLEY, Secretary.
mar 9 1t

NOTICE.

The name of W. J. Reaves will be presented to the Democratic primary for the nomination of alderman from the Fifth Ward. I bespeak for him the support of all good citizens.
mar 9 1t TAXPAYER.

Geo. Harriss for Alderman 3rd Ward.

The many friends of Geo. Harriss recognizing his sterling business qualifications, and believing that he is eminently qualified to reflect credit upon the City of Wilmington in the discharge of his duties, take this method of placing his name before the voters of the Third Ward for the office of Alderman and solicit their support.
mar 9 1t MANY PROPERTY OWNERS.

Change of Schedule.

Beginning Monday, March 11th, and on every Monday thereafter until further notice, a train will leave Wilmington on the Seacoast Railroad at 6:30 o'clock A. M. The train leaving Wilmington at 6 o'clock P. M. on Sundays has been discontinued.
WILMINGTON SEACOAST R. R.
R. O. GRANT, Supt. mar 9 1t

WANTED.

200 good laborers. Apply at our Factories.
NAVASSA GUANO COMPANY.
mar 8 3t POWERS, GIBBS & COMPANY.

Mr. John H. Hanby for Alderman.

The many friends of Mr. John H Hanby not unmindful of the great service rendered to the citizens of Wilmington as an Alderman (having given his personal attention to public matters) again place his name before the voters of the Fourth Ward for re-election.
MANY FRIENDS.
mar 8 tf

NOTICE.

The name of William Goodman will be presented to the Democratic primary for the nomination of Alderman from the Third Ward. I bespeak for him the support of all good citizens.
mar 8 tf TAXPAYER.

SEALED PROPOSALS

Will be received at the Mayor's office until noon April 10th, for furnishing the City of Wilmington with Labor and Materials as specified below for the year ending March 31st, 1902:

First—Feeding and shoeing mules and horses for such a number as the city may employ.

Second—For lighting the city with gas and electricity.

Third—For lumber par 1 000 feet of merchantable quality and in quantities as required.

Fourth—For printing, stationery and advertising.

Fifth—For feeding prisoners per meal.

Seventh—For lighting and repairing gas and oil lamps of the city and furnishing oil for the latter.

Eighth—For bricks, lime and cement.

The right reserved to reject any and all bids.
mar 9 1t A. M. WADDELL, Mayor.

FLORIDA ORANGES.

Extra Sweet 40c doz.
Extra Bananas, Pears,

Grapes, Apples,

Pineapples and Cocoanuts.

A fresh supply of Lowney's CHOCOLATES and BON BONS just received to-day.

J. W. PLUMMER, Jr.,
Bell 'Phone 680, Inter-State 188,
mar 9 1t 204 Princess street

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SEASONABLE GOODS

MULLETS, new catch.
Best Cream Cheese,
Martin's Gilt Edge Butter,
Bagging and Ties.
SALT.

A GENERAL LINE OF CASE GOODS IN DEMAND AT THIS SEASON.

Sole agents for
ROB ROY FLOUR.

McNAIR & PEARSALL.
sep

More Salt

WE CAN SUPPLY YOUR NEEDS, 10,000 SACKS.

SEED POTATOES

of the BEST variety and quality.

Seed Oats, Seed Rye.

Fertilizers

of all makes and grades.

Inquiries and orders solicited.

The Worth Co.
feb 26 tf

MERCER & EVANS CO.

Invite attention to their new lines just received, such as

Wall Paper, beautiful "1901 Patterns."

Buggy Harness, Bridles, etc.

Also, to come this week a splendid line of

Dress Goods and Suitings.

DIMITIES, LAWNS, PERCALES, ETC.

Spring and Summer Wear. These and hundreds of other unique Bargains we are proud to offer to our patrons. We do not mean to boast, but are thankful to say that OUR GOODS, with OUR PRICES, make our sales increase daily.

Shoes our Specialty.

mar 3 tf 115 and 117 Princess street.

Vollers & Hashagen,

Grain Shippers and General Provision Dealers.

Get our prices on

Grain, Oats, Hay,

In car lots or less.

Our facilities are unsurpassed and we guarantee satisfaction.

We solicit your favors.

feb 3 tf

A hint to The wise!

SPRINGFIELD HAMS.
SPRINGFIELD HAMS.
SPRINGFIELD HAMS.

YOU KNOW A GOOD THING.

ON SALE AT THE

Unlucky Corner.

S. W. SANDERS.
mar 1 tf

Beachers and Excursionists.

Realizing that the time draweth near in which I shall have to live off of "Beachers" and "Excursionists," it becomes necessary to reduce my stock in order to make room for their needs, and as an inducement for you to help me to do this, I will sell all my finer grades of Goods at

10 per cent. Discount for Spot Cash.

Inasmuch as it is my rule to mark the lowest spot cash price in plain figures on every article in my store, you can see for yourself that it is not a case of mark up and take off but a genuine offer made solely for the purpose named.

N. F. PARKER,
Furniture and Furniture Novelties,
Bell 'Phone 813. 111 Market street, Inter-State 421.
feb 26 tf

FOR ALDERMAN.

In deference to the wishes of many friends, I hereby announce my candidacy for Alderman from the Fourth Ward, promising, if elected, to care for the interests of every resident of my ward and the welfare of the city as an entirety, to the best of my ability.

Respectfully yours,
mar 6 tf LOUIS H. SKINNER.

The Morning Star

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 9.

MILLIONS VS. THOUSANDS

In Thursday's STAR we published an extract from Mr. McKinley's inaugural address wherein he spoke of Cuba and the Philippines, and the policy pursued as to them. The extract concluded with the following bearing upon the Philippines:

"Our countrymen should not be deceived. We are not waging war against the inhabitants of the Philippine islands. A portion of them are making war against the United States. By far the greater part of the inhabitants recognize the American sovereignty and welcome it as a guaranty of order and of security of life, property, liberty, freedom of conscience and the pursuit of happiness.

"To them full protection will be given. They shall not be abandoned. We will not leave the destiny of loyal millions in the islands to the disloyal thousands who are in rebellion against the United States. Order, under civil institutions, will come as soon as those who now break the peace shall keep it. Force will not be needed, or used, when those who make war against us shall make it no more. May it end without further bloodshed and may there be ushered in the reign of peace, to be made permanent by a government of liberty under the law."

There is something refreshing in the placid assurance with which Mr. McKinley makes statements which have the appearance, at least, of being extremely absurd. It has been the rule with the advocates of expansion, and with the commissioners whom Mr. McKinley has sent to the Philippines, to represent the masses of the people of the Archipelago as friendly to the United States, really anxious to see the Stars and Stripes floating everywhere, and eager to come in and help in the work of establishing civil governments. The reason why they were somewhat tardy about it was fear of the fellows who were out in the woods fighting. Unfortunately for the reliability of these reports, came the reports of military officers, including General MacArthur, showing that this professed friendship was a mere pretence, a cloak put on to fool somebody and better carry out their work and help their friends in arms.

Every one who is at all familiar with the news coming from these islands knows that our soldiers keep about as sharp an eye on the "amigos" as they do on the fellows with guns, because the fellows with guns shoot from the front, while the "amigos" watch their opportunity and shoot from the rear. Not long ago it was discovered that there was a strong organization in Manila and in other cities whose business it was to collect money and furnish the fighting Filipinos with supplies, which organization was composed largely of "amigos," who mingled with Americans and army officers and picked up all the points they could for the information of their fighting friends. Of course if there were no longer any hope of success by fighting these fellows would have nothing to gain by playing the double role and might come in and be very good, loyal and even enthusiastic "Americans."

There is no doubt that compared with the population the Filipinos in arms are few, but that doesn't prove that the opposition to American control is confined to those few. If it were practicable and the Filipinos had the means to equip armies, there would be doubtless hundreds in arms to the one there is. But because there are but few in armed opposition it is assumed (because the assumption answers the purpose) that the loyal are millions and the disloyal thousands. That's what Mr. McKinley assumes when he says: "We are not waging war against the inhabitants of the Philippines. A portion of them are making war against the United States," and adds, "To them (the loyal) full protection will be given. They shall not be abandoned. We will not leave the destiny of loyal millions in the islands to the disloyal thousands who are in rebellion against the United States."

What absurdity. Abandoning "loyal millions" to the mercies of the "disloyal thousands." Are these "disloyal thousands" such terrible fellows that the "loyal millions" cower before them and must have the protection of a United States army for a "long time," as General MacArthur expressed it, or for an "indefinite period," as Senator Carter expressed it? If the millions are loyal why is it that advantage has not been taken of their loyalty and why has not their co-operation been sought and secured in bringing these rebellious "thousands" to taw. A few of one tribe have been used as scouts, and these not so much because they were particularly friendly to the United States as because they hate the Tagalos. But there was not enough of them called into the service to amount to any thing.

The loyal millions talked about are simply the masses of the people who are scuffling around to get something to eat and not saying much because American guns are too close and they have no guns of their own. These "millions" are loyal simply because they are not in a position to show disloyalty. But will we not have a pretty big job on hand for some time to come protecting these "loyal millions" from the "disloyal thousands?" It may be incidentally remarked that the "disloyal thousands" are showing a wonderful power of holding out, when the odds are so heavy against them.

ENCOURAGING INDUSTRIES

Some of the Western cities realizing the value of manufacturing industries are taking steps to encourage them, although some of those cities are successful manufacturing cities now. The Louisville *Courier Journal*, which is endeavoring to stimulate an interest in that subject in Louisville, contains the following, which it prints as an object lesson to the people of its city:

"The city of Columbus, O., had an increase of over 60 per cent. in its population from 1890 to 1900, and now it is the third city in point of population in the State. Still it is not satisfied to rest content even with this wonderful growth, and its citizens have set about a plan that it is hoped will add immensely to its population and business. The Board of Trade is arranging to organize an investment company with a capital of $500,000 to secure the location in that city of new manufacturing enterprises. There are to be two separate funds. One is to be used for defraying the expenses of moving plants to Columbus from elsewhere, the purchase of free sites, for entertainments, traveling charges and other costs in securing new plants. The other fund is to be invested in the stocks of successful manufacturing companies which can be induced to move to Columbus by the extension of aid in the way of increase of capital or loans on good terms. This fund is to be managed for the benefit of the contributors to it and at the same time to benefit the city by the bringing in of new enterprises.

"This scheme is not an unusual one, though Columbus is preparing to undertake it on a more extensive scale than is common. The *Ohio State Journal*, which gives the particulars, says a similar plan has met with great success in Titusville, Pa., where its operation has contributed so much to the development of the city that citizens have gone so far as to threaten the boycotting of the few prosperous business houses that will not assist in the movement. Cincinnati is also considering undertaking this plan to build up the city, and so are other Ohio cities. The little city of Huntsville, Ala., has secured one very large cotton mill with about $2 000,000 capital, and numerous smaller enterprises through like instances of public spirit."

This is something worthy not only of the thoughtful consideration of the people of Louisville, but of other Southern cities, many of which offer exceptional advantages for the establishment of diversified industries, and might secure the establishment of many by systematic, concerted, persevering efforts. With her natural advantages, and means of transportation by water and land, Wilmington ought to be one of the greatest manufacturing cities on the South Atlantic coast.

OUR TIMBER RESOURCES.

As our timber resources present and prospective are a topic of much discussion, and becoming more so, the following figures showing the wooded area of the United States, which we find in the Baltimore *Sun*, will be interesting:

"The total wooded area of the United States is said to be 1 094 496 square miles, or 37 percent of the entire area. The lumber product is worth annually $1,000,000,000. The extent of the lumber interest and the vital connection between forest area and climate, streams, water power, etc., cause increased attention to be given to forestry and to schemes such as the proposed Appalachian forest reserve. According to Pacific Coast Wood and Iron the percentage of woodland areas given including the natural timber in both farms and forests is as follows: Maine has 79 per cent of her area covered by woods; New Hampshire, 58; Vermont, 43; Massachusetts, 52; Rhode Island, 40; Connecticut, 39; New York, 30; New Jersey, 43; Pennsylvania, 51; Delaware, 36; Maryland, 44; Virginia, 58; West Virginia, 74; North Carolina, 72; South Carolina, 68; Georgia, 71; Florida, 70; Alabama, 74; Mississippi, 70; Louisiana, 62; Texas, 24; Arkansas, 84; Kentucky, 55; Tennessee, 65; Ohio, 23; Indiana, 30; Illinois, 18; Michigan, 67; Wisconsin, 58; Minnesota, 66; Iowa, 13; Missouri, 6; North Dakota, 1; South Dakota, 3; Nebraska, 3; Kansas, 7; Indian Territory, 65; Oklahoma, 11; Montana 30; Wyoming, 13; Colorado, 32; New Mexico, 19; Arizona, 23; Utah, 13; Idaho, 42; Washington, 71; Oregon, 57; Nevada, 6; California, 22. Much of this woodland is of no use as a source of lumber, but constitutes part of the great firewood supply of the people.

"Generally a rainfall map of the United States is also a forest map, for wherever there is abundant rain there is generally large timber. The California redwood is a forest curiosity. It grows on comparatively low country, where snow does not lie on the ground in winter and where in summer time the sea fogs keep its leaves moist. And it has never been known to grow anywhere else in the world. The redwood forests of California are the densest tree growth in the world and the largest timber. A single acre of redwood timber has yielded 1 500,000 feet of lumber, and trees have produced as much as 100,000 feet of lumber each."

These figures show that the United States, especially the Southern domain, are pretty well timbered yet, and will continue so for many years to come if discriminating judgment be used in cutting timber and replanting, which is now being done with gratifying results in some of the States, especially Western States, where timber is scarce.

Glorious News

Comes from Dr. D. B Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which has caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Ulcers, Boils and Running Sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels; expels poisons; helps digestion, and builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Guaranteed. †

A PALE-FACE GIRL

may be almost safely set down as wanting red in her blood. If subject to dizziness, fainting, shortness of breath on slight exertion, no doubt remains.

To want red in the blood is to fail of the good of one's food. Her food is not nourishing her. She needs a change.

The easiest change she can get, and one of the best, is Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil.

It gives her the upper hand in the contest—her food has the upper hand now—she is pale no more.

We'll send you a little to try, if you like.
SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Pearl street, New York.

A GENIUS FOR IT

A French writer attributes the remarkable progress this country has made in the manufacture and use of steel to the peculiar genius of the American in handling iron, which, he says, is as conspicuous as was the genius of the Greeks for working in stone. The exports last year amounting in value to $129,000,000, an increase of $100,000,000 in ten years, have put the iron and steel workers of other countries to thinking and asking questions.

There is no doubt that this remarkable progress is mainly due to the reason assigned by the French writer, that is to the genius for manipulating iron and steel, in which Americans stand without equals. This genius has cheapened the production of steel, and the cheapening has resulted in multiplying the uses to which it is put, until it has become one of the most common things in use, and has largely taken the place of wood, stone and brick.

This work of cheapening and extending the uses goes on, and will probably continue to go on, until iron and steel become the cheapest of our structural materials, unless the industry be controlled by combines, which will keep prices up regardless of the cost of production.

The British Government is paying its new recruits for South Africa four times as much as it pays its regulars, and now the regulars are kicking and asking if an apprentice should receive four times as much pay as the man who has learned his trade? But it takes inducements now to get recruits for that job. They have discovered that there isn't any fun in it, and very little glory.

The South African climate doesn't agree with the hair of the British soldiers, many of whom have become bald and others are becoming so. Hair liquids to prevent this are in great demand. It doesn't seem to affect the Boers that way, for they seem to have hair to spare.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Before we take Cuba we might at least retake that 1,500 square miles of Alaskan territory that Secretary Hay recently ceded "provisionally" to England.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— Cotton exports, by their reduction in the past two months have deranged the entire cotton industry. Stocks are accumulating, mills have stopped South and North, there are wage questions impending. The fall in coal, iron and steel abroad must affect exports of iron and steel. As these diminish, they must have an influence on production and price in this country.—*Philadelphia Press Rep.*

—— From Pekin comes the report that Russia is not disposed to withdraw her troops from that city, making a pretext of guarding the railroad to Tongku as requiring a larger force than the Legation Guard. Russia does not need any excuse for maintaining a large body of troops in Pekin, as the "concert" of the Powers will not object to her doing so, France and Germany being much disposed to follow her example.—*Philadelphia Telegraph, Rep.*

—— The Philadelphia *North American* is an ultra Republican paper, but it says: "If a nation is dishonored when it breaks faith, coolly, openly and for the sake of material advantage, then the United States stands before the world dishonored. For such perfidy for such base repudation of a pledge which the President, who signed the Teller resolution, has declared to be of the 'highest honorable obligation,' there can be no excuse offered that will not emphasize the national disgrace.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

A Life and Death Fight.

Mr. W. A. Hines, of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if it cost $5 00 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung Troubles. Regular size 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Daniel Cambell, of Queshuffle township, died at D. C Monroe's, in 71st, of consumption, February 7th, 1901, aged 78 years.

— Lexington *Dispatch*: It is rumored that there is to be a woollen mill established here in the near future, also another large cotton mill that will employ between 400 and 500 hands.

— Mount Airy *News*: The farmers of Surry and adjoining counties are not expecting over a half crop of wheat this year. The outlook is very gloomy, indeed, but the growing crop of wheat may produce an excellent yield.

— Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligencer*: The clothing of Aunt Mariah Townsend, an old colored woman who lived in Burnsville township, became ignited while she was standing before the fire, on Thursday of last week, and she was so badly burned that death resulted Sunday. Aunt Mariah was a paralytic and almost helpless. Her daughter in law was painfully burned while trying to extinguish the fire.

— Laurinburg *Exchange*: On Wednesday night, February 27th, Dave Murdoc, a colored man living on the Fletcher place near the South Carolina line, was cruelly murdered by some one on the outside with a rifle. Murdoc lingered until the next night when he died as a result of his wound. The coroner held an inquest on Friday and rendered a verdict that one Jim Mundlin had fired the fatal shot. Philip Mundlin was arrested and held as an accessory and is now in Rockingham jail. Jim Mundlin is still at large. — Captain James H. Forbis, of Ellerbe Springs, has found specimens of good ore on his plantation and has some of the ore in the hands of experts for analysis. There are also traces of copper and iron in the same locality.

— Kinston *Free Press*: We learned this afternoon of the most horrible death by fire of Mr. Charles Wilson, at his home at Institute, in this county. Mr. Wilson went home Wednesday night in a state of intoxication. His conduct was such as to frighten his wife, who took her four children and left the house, going over to a neighbor's to spend the night. About 9 o'clock a negro heard Mr. Wilson yelling and went in the house, and found his clothing on fire. The negro became scared, and, instead of trying to put the fire out, ran over to tell Mr. Thomas Wilson, a brother of Mr. Charles Wilson. The burning man ran out of the house, and fell in a ditch, and only breathed a few times after being found.

TWINKLINGS.

— "It is no wonder the inauguration ball was a big success." "None whatever. Everybody took steps to make it so."

— A fool and his money are soon parted, and there are lots of men who would like to be fools if they had the money to part with.—*Kansas City Star.*

— "What is it, Willy, dog?" "Dog nothing! I asked the woman for something to eat and she offered me water crackers! Think of it, water!"

— "It's easy to tell the difference between genuine widows and the other kind." "No difficulty at all. It's really as simple as the difference between grass and weeds."

— An Iowa paper publishes this: "A folded newspaper placed under the coat in the small of the back is an excellent substitute for an overcoat. Now is the time to subscribe."

— "They tried to associate various stories with that new star, but none fitted. It would have been different with a comet." "In what way?" "Comets as a rule have tales attached to them."

— "Darwin's doctrine of men springing from the monkey has analogy in its favor." "How?" "It's not more unreasonable than women springing from the mouse."

— Magistrate—You are charged with assault and battery. What have you to say? Prisoner—Not a word, yeronner. It was saying too much got me into this scrape.—*Tit-Bits.*

— She—"How is it that you were not at Simpton's Christmas party?" He—"I stayed away for a personal reason." She—"May I know what it is?" He—"If you will promise to maintain it a profound secret." She—"I give you my promise." He—"Well I was not invited."—*Glasgow Evening Times.*

RENAN AS A REPORTER.

His Views on Women Criticised by Gaston Deschamps.

"Write an article, sir, upon Abou-Mohammed-al-Cassem ben Ali ben Mohammed ben Othman."

That was the assignment given in 1855 to a young man who was looking for a place on a Paris newspaper.

"In short, sir," said he, smiling, "you want an article on Hariri?"

"Precisely," said the editor. "Go ahead."

So he went ahead and wrote a splendid story on the great sheik who flourished in the eleventh century. But in order not to discourage the bank clerks and blacksmiths who "dream of glory in the domain of journalism" it may be well to whisper the fact in strict confidence that the young man in question was Ernest Renan and that the newspaper was the Journal des Debats.

Renan's next assignment was the Paris exposition of 1855. He treated the great fair with severity and even heaped ridicule upon it. He despised expositions. For him they were the height of frivolity, tending toward degeneracy. And, holy Susan, he blamed the women for them all! "There is no doubt whatever," said he, "that at the present time feminine instincts occupy more space in the general physiognomy of the world than they did formerly. The world is more exclusively preoccupied just now with frivolities that formerly were looked upon as the exclusive property of women. Instead of asking men for great achievements, bold enterprises and heroic labors the women ask them for riches only, to satisfy a vulgar taste. The general movement of the world has put itself at the service of the instincts of woman, not those splendid instincts through which they display, more clearly than men can perhaps, the divine ideal of our nature, but the lower instincts, which form the least noble portion of her vocation."

Gaston Deschamps of the Figaro, commenting upon Renan's remarks, recently charged the woman of the present day with doing her utmost "to gather the apples, all the apples, that Eve the blond left hanging on the branches of the forbidden tree."—New York Sun.

The Appetite of a Goat

Is envied by all poor dyspeptics, whose stomach and liver are out of order. All such should know that Dr. King's New Life Pills, the wonderful Stomach and Liver Remedy, gives a splendid appetite, sound digestion and a regular bodily habit that insures perfect health and great energy. Only 25 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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BEFORE AND AFTER.

The Change a Year May Show In a Married Man.

This is a year before marriage. He is making her a call. He is at the front door ringing for her. He has been thinking all day of her. These are his boots newly blacked, collar spotless, his form ditto outside, his gloves drawn on for the first time, his hair newly parted and oiled, his face newly shaven. His heart palpitates for her. His nerves are nervous for her. He fears she may be out or that her parents may object or, worse than that, some other fellow may be there with her. The door opens. She is there and alone. He is happy.

This is a year after marriage. He is ringing at the door. His face is unshaven, his collar much worn, his boots unblacked, his hair unbrushed. He rings again in exactly ten seconds. He gives the bell a short, petulant pull. He is thinking of her. He is grumbling that she doesn't answer it sooner. He has not all day been thinking of her. He has gone further maybe and fared worse. Now she opens it. He pushes past her and remarks, "Takes you forever to answer that bell."

His unbrushed boots sound sullen as he ascends the stairs. She follows meekly after. He dashes into the room and around the house and sings out, "Isn't dinner ready yet?" She bids him to be patient for a moment, but he won't—because dinner isn't ready within one minute after he gets home; because this is the one year after marriage; because the bloom is off the rye, the down rubbed off the peach and various other considerations; because it's the way of the world, of man, of matrimony. O tempora! O Moses! O matrimony!—Pearson's Weekly.

When Elizabeth Was Ill.

A physician, like a soldier, must respond to the call of duty without always waiting to discover the why and wherefore. A doctor, who is evidently the soul of devotion to his profession, was recently put to the test and much to his subsequent irritation was not found wanting. It befell in this wise, according to the doctor's report:

One day last week I was just sitting down to dinner when I received a call from a little 5-year-old girl whose father lives in the adjoining block. She was out of breath, but she managed to gasp out for me to come up to the house right away.

Thinking it must be something serious that should cause the little girl to be sent for me, I seized my medicine case and hurried off.

"Who is sick?" I asked, picking her up in my arms and carrying her so that I might get along faster.

"Elizabeth," she answered.

"Is she very sick?" I asked.

"I think it is typhoid fever," she replied.

This gave me a scare and quickened my steps. We were not long in arriving at the house, and I was surprised that no one met us.

"This way!" cried the little girl, seizing my hand.

Allowing myself to be led along, I soon found myself in a bedroom by the side of a doll's cradle, in which reposed a doll with a red rag tied round its throat.

I was dazed for a moment and came to only when I heard the little girl inquiring anxiously if I thought Elizabeth was going to die.

I assured her that she wasn't and all that she needed was a spanking. I meant the little girl, not Elizabeth. But from what I heard as I came away I am afraid that my advice was not understood and that Elizabeth got the spanking.—Philadelphia Times.

Cat Routed by a Bird.

From a garden window in Twickenham "Observant" saw the following incident and writes to tell the tale: "A nest of blackbirds had flown, and one of the young birds had decided to explore under some shrubs growing in my garden. A neighbor's cat sprang after the bird and would have caught it, but at the same moment the mother bird flew down from a high tree growing just outside the garden and, with extended wings and uttering a remarkably loud cry, hovered around the cat's head, dashing itself again and again with open beak against the cat. By this unexpected attack the would be destroyer seemed entirely balked in his movements, and both birds flew up into the tree and chatted loudly and excitedly for a few minutes. I never could have imagined a small bird capable of such marvelous instinct and courage. I felt quite excited at witnessing such a scene and shall never forget it."

POPULATION.

The United States is a nation numbering 76,000,000 people.

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland numbers about 38,000,000, just half as many.

France numbers just about half as many also.

The German empire, not counting its African colonies, numbers about 47,000,000 people, less than two-thirds of our population.

Austria-Hungary has nearly 42,000,000 inhabitants, only 4,000,000 more than half our count.

Russia proper, excluding the non-Russian people of Asia that are under her flag, has a population of about 86,000,000, 10,000,000 more than that of the United States.

But our population is growing at the rate of 13,000,000 every ten years, so that the American babies of today, when they arrive at adult age, will see an American nation numbering 102,000,000 people.—New York World.

Rubber and leather casters are now frequently put upon furniture which is to be placed on a hard wood or stained floor. Some housekeepers and decorators, however, recommend instead the caster cups.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.)

STAR OFFICE, March 8.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 36 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 35½ cents bid per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.15 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar steady at $1.20; crude turpentine quiet at $2.00 @3 25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	21
Rosin	252
Tar	745
Crude turpentine	10

Receipts same day last year—22 casks spirits turpentine, 195 bbls rosin, 626 bbls tar, 17 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8⅝c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5¾	cts ₱ lb
Good ordinary	7 9-16	" "
Low middling	7⅝	" "
Middling	8⅝	" "
Good middling	9	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 9¼c.

Receipts—716 bales; same day last year, 537.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

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TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8 to 9c; dressed, 10 to 12c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm; actual business in bankers' bills at 487¾ for demand and 484½@484¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 485@485½ and 488¼. Commercial bills 483½@484. Silver certificates 61½@63. Bar silver 60¾. Mexican dollars 49. Government bonds strong. State bonds irregular. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 105¼; U. S. refund'g 2's coupon, 105¼; U. S. 3's, reg'd, —; U. S. 4's, reg'd, 111; do. coupon, 111; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 137¾; do. coupon 137¾; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 113; do coupon, 114; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 111½; do. coupon, 111½; Southern R'y 5's 115¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio, 92¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 45¾, Manhattan L 119½; N. Y. Central 144; Reading 81¾; do. 1st pref'd 71¾ St. Paul, 153¾; do. pref'd, 194; Southern Railway 33¾; pref'd 78¾; American Tobacco, 119¾; do. pref'd 146 People's Gas 103¾; Sugar 141¾; do. pref'd 121; T. C. & Iron 53¾; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. preferred 74¾; Western Union 88¼. Standard Oil 798@802 Consolidated Gas closed 209¾.

BALTIMORE, March 8.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 13¼@13¾; do. preferred 31¾@32. Bonds—4's 77¾@77¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Rosin dull. Spirits turpentine steady at 39½@40c

CHARLESTON, March 8.—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing. Rosin firm; quotations unchanged.

SAVANNAH, March 8.—Spirits turpentine firm at 37c; sales 240 casks; receipts 79 casks; exports — casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 73 barrels; receipts 1,805 barrels; exports 2,441 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 8.—At the opening of the cotton market to-day prices advanced ten to eighteen points on general buying, but particularly among the shorts, owing to better cables from Liverpool than expected. The March option sold up to 8 50; May 8 53; July 8 57 and August 8 29. The demand here was supplied by commission houses and the largest spot cotton interests were heavy sellers. This caused a slump and when late cables reported a loss of all the early advance at Liverpool, with the closing price showing a net decline of about one point, there was a break here to about last night's prices. Thereafter the market followed an irregular course, though finally stiffening up on a fresh scare of oversold pit interests and the appearance of outside buying orders. Rumors that Neill was to come out to-morrow with a bullish circular in New Orleans and Liverpool, intensified the alarm of shorts and encouraged increased support from the bull element and commission interests. Trading was active with sentiment once more generally favoring higher prices. August proved to be the strongest option on the list, and led the upward movement. Investment support in the last hour was very active. At the close the market was very steady with prices showing a rise of nine and fifteen points for the day.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Cotton steady; middling uplands 8¾c.

Cotton futures closed very steady, as follows: March 8 75, April 8 51, May 8 54, June 8 56 July 8.59, August 8 29, September 7.88, October 7.78, November 7 69, December 7 66.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 8¾; middling gulf 9¼c; sales 1,425 bales.

Net receipts 234 bales; gross receipts 2,593 bales; exports to Great Britain 6,249 bales; stock 143,028 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 22,346 bales; exports to Great Britain 15 412 bales; exports to France 624 bales; exports to the Continent 6,505 bales; stock 895,526 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 135 210 bales; exports to Great Britain 53 512 bales; exports to France 19.181 bales, exports to the Continent 41.408 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,984 641 bales; exports to Great Britain 2 250,791 bales; exports to France 532.682 bales; exports to the Continent 1,722,109 bales.

March 8—Galveston, steady at 8 15 16, net receipts 5,646 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8 11-16, net receipts 715 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9c, net receipts 837 bales; Boston, dull at 8¾c, net receipts 891 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 716 bales; Philadelphia dull at 9¼c, net receipts 155 bales; Savannah, quiet at 8¾c, net receipts 3,746 bales; New Orleans, firm at 8 11 16c, net receipts 7,650 bales; Mobile, quiet, steady at 8¾, net receipts 10 bales; Memphis, steady at 8 11-16c, net receipts 244 bales; Augusta, quiet at 8¾c, net receipts 426 bales; Charleston, steady at 8¾c, net receipts 241 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Flour was tolerably steady but dull at unchanged prices. Wheat—Spot quiet and firm. No. 2 red 80½c f. o. b. afloat; options opened easy and declined under weak cables, leading to liquidation with the decline at the greatest a matter of ¾c. Later there was a complete rally on reports that several cargoes pending for several days had been worked for Lisbon. This led to brisk covering, chiefly for the account of Western shorts. Closed ¼c net higher. Sales included: No 2 red March closed 79¼c; May closed 79¾; July closed 79¾. Corn—Spot steady but dull; No. 2 48¼c at elevator and 47¼c afloat; options opened easy with wheat, eased off 1 16c under local pressure and weak cables, but rallied ½@¾c from the lowest, chiefly on reports of soft weather in corn States, threatening the grade and to reduce receipts. Closed ½@¾c net higher. March closed 48¾c; May closed 46½c; July closed 45¾. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2 31c; options inactive. Rice steady. Lard firm; Western steam $7 85; refined firm; continent $8 00; South American $8 60; compound 5⅞@5¾c. Tallow steady. Pork firm; family $15 50; short clear $14 75@16 50; mess 14 55@15 00. Butter firm; fresh creamery 17@22c; factory 11@15c. Cheese strong; fancy large colored and white 11@11½c; fancy small colored, 12¼c fancy small white 12@12½c. Eggs barely steady; State and Pennsylvania at mark 14¾@15c; Southern at mark 13¾@15. Petroleum quiet. Cabbage steady. Molasses steady. Cotton seed oil was firm though not quotably higher. Quotations were: Prime crude, in barrels, 27½@28; prime summer yellow 29½@30c; off summer yellow 29@29½; prime white 34c; prime winter yellow 35; prime meal $28 00. Coffee—Spot Rio easy; No. 7 invoice 7¼c, nominal; mild quiet; Cordova 8@12¼. Sugar—Raw weak; fair refining 3¼c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4c; molasses sugar 3¼c; refined dull.

CHICAGO, March 8.—Weakness characterized the grain markets during the forenoon to day, but this was followed by a rally later under the leadership of corn. Wheat closed ¼c, corn ¼@½ and oats ¼@½c higher, while pork showed a net advance for the day of 37½c, lard 2½@5c and ribs 5@7½c.

CHICAGO, March 8—Cash quotations: Flour—Market was quoted dull. Wheat—No. 3 spring 67¾@73c; No. 2 red 74@76c. Corn—No. 2, 39@39½c. Oats—No. 2 25@25¼c; No. 2 white 28@29c; No. 3 white 26¾@27½c. Pork, per barrel, $13 95@14 25. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 50@7 53¾. Short rib sides, loose, $7 15@7 35. Dry salted shoulders, $6 37½@6 62½. Short clear sides, boxed, $7 55@7 75. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No 2 March 73¾, 73¾, 73¼, 73¼c; April 74¼, 74¾, 73¾@73⅞, 74¾c; May 75⅛@75¼, 75¾, 74⅝@74¾, 75¼@75¾c. Corn—March 39½c; May 40¾@40¾, 41⅛, 40¾, 41c. Oats—March 24¼, 24¼, 24, 24¼@24¼c; May 24¾@24¾, 25¼, 24¾, 25@25¼c. Pork, per bbl—March $14 75; May $14 87½, 14 90, 14 87½, 14 90. Lard, per 100 lbs—March $7 52½; May $7 57½, 7 60, 7 55, 7 57½; July $7 63¾, 7 65, 7 63¾ 7 65; September $7 70, 7 73½ 7 70, 7 72½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—March $7 30; May $7 22½, 7 27½, 7 32½, 7 25; September $7 35, 7 35, 7 32, 7 35.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 7, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot, fair demand; prices 1 32d higher; American middling fair 5 15 32d; good middling 5 3 16d; middling 5 1 32d; low middling 4 27 32d; good ordinary 4 19 32d; ordinary 4 11 32d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 11,100 bales American. Receipts none.

Futures opened quiet and closed easy; American middling (l. m. c.) March 4 57 64@4 58 64d buyer; March and April 4 57 64d buyer; April and May 4 56 64@4 57 64d buyer; May and June 4 56 64d buyer; June and July 4 55 64@4 56 64d seller; July and August 4 54 64d buyer; August and September 4 45 64d buyer; September 4 45-64d buyer; October (s. o. o.) 4 25-64d seller; October and November 4 20-64d buyer.

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W. C. & A. Railroad—371 bales cotton, 10 barrels rosin, 40 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—59 bales cotton, 15 casks spirits turpentine, 187 barrels rosin, 144 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & N. Railroad—32 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 18 barrels rosin.

Steamship Oneida—155 bales cotton.

Steamer Driver—3 bales cotton, 492 barrels tar.

Schooner Minnie Ward—10 bales cotton, 37 barrels rosin, 69 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 716 bales; spirits turpentine, 21 casks; rosin, 252 barrels; tar, 745 barrels; crude turpentine, 10 barrels.

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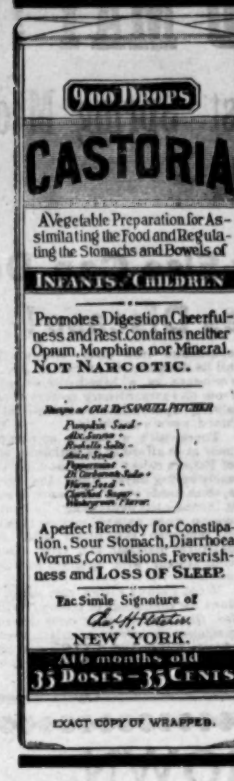

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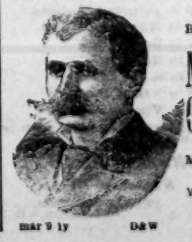

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A tiny dimpling chin so neat,
And both just made to kiss;
Two cunning ears each in its place,
A baby forehead set with grace,
Whose photograph is this?

Two sturdy shoulders, broad and square,
Two chubby hands so fat and fair,
And cunning feet so coy;
A roguish smile for you and me,
Sweet baby ways; now, don't you see
The portrait of our boy?

—Pearson's Weekly.

How the Colonel Lost Out

By Henry Harmon.

"Yes," said the colonel reflectively, "many queer things do happen—things that a man would have a hard time in explaining if he were called on to do so. I'll tell you, young gentlemen, that in this life of mine I have had at least one experience that would drive some men to drink." And the colonel looked around suggestively.

The colonel, a one armed veteran of the civil war, was the best raconteur of the club, and as such was eagerly listened to by the younger generation. A tap of the bell brought a round of his favorite beverage, and, after sampling it, with glasses in easy reach, we all settled back in our chairs to listen to the story that was sure to come.

"You fellows have all heard how I lost this arm at Pine Ridge? When I enlisted in the Twentieth, like many another young fellow, I left a sweetheart at home whose promise had been given me—a beautiful, high spirited girl who kissed me goodby and saw the regiment march away with a cheer on her lips and but few tears in her eyes. Before we parted she slipped a ring on my finger, and as I left she said, 'Wear this, dear; bring it back with you and be true to your flag and me.'

"Well, I wore the ring all through our long, hard campaign until that Pine Ridge cannon ball came along, took away arm and ring and left me unconscious on the battlefield. After a hospital experience I finally recovered sufficiently to be sent home, with a colonel's commission, discharged as unfit for duty.

"At the old home I was, of course, treated as a hero. The young ladies insisted on showing me flattering attentions. I was asked everywhere and was quite the lion of the hour.

"Isabel, my fiancee, was as devoted as before, I suppose, but her nature was such that she was too proud to show her feelings as plainly as my vanity sometimes wished her to do, and as a consequence I began to think that she had changed toward me. It may be that another girl, a little, plump, black eyed charmer, had something to do with this idea, but at any rate I soon began to notice other charms than Isabel's.

"One night my fiancee and I attended a reception, and Sadie, the black eyed charmer of whom I have spoken, was there also. Isabel and I had tired of mingling with the throng and had found a secluded place in the conservatory. We talked until weary and sat there in silence when Sadie came in. She did not see us, and as she stood by the side of a large palm in an attitude of unstudied grace I thought she formed the most beautiful picture that I had ever seen.

"Almost involuntarily I contrasted her charms with those of the proud beauty at my side. To my eyes the advantage all lay with Sadie. Her beautifully rounded figure seemed to be my ideal of loveliness, and I wished that I might clasp her in my arms—arm, I mean—and tell her how sweet a picture she made. The longing grew almost too strong to be resisted, and I had half risen to my feet, forgetting Isabel's presence, when I was stopped by a strange thing that was taking place. Faintly outlined, a mere vapor at first, but growing plainer with each succeeding second, where Sadie stood there appeared the figure of a man's arm clothed in a soldier's sleeve of blue.

"The arm slowly curved itself around Sadie's waist, and, as it tightened itself into a firm hug, like a star of light a ring on the hand showed itself to my startled gaze. My eyes seemed to be starting from my head in amazement, for the ring was that which Isabel had given me, and the hand that I looked at was the exact likeness of my missing one.

"A cry at my side of mixed fear and rage brought me to my senses. Isabel was standing with outstretched arms pointing at the apparition. 'What does this mean, sir?' she said. Her voice aroused Sadie, who, seeing the image around her waist, promptly fainted.

"I have told this story to several persons, and but one has ever been able to give me any explanation. He was an ascetic from India who was lecturing on 'The Influence of Mind Over Matter,' who told me that my desire to embrace Sadie had been impressed very strongly on my astral being, that my astral being had for the time got control over my physical body and that the arm which I saw was the arm that I had lost and, being lost, was trying to follow the impulse that would have controlled it had it still continued to be a part of my body and subject to the control of my mind. Others did not accept this theory, and some, I regret to say, were skeptical, while a few did not hesitate to say that the vision had been induced by a large, wad developed jag. You fellows can think as you please. I leave the solution with you."

"But, colonel," cried several in protest, "what became of the girls? Did you marry Sadie?"

"Marry! Huh!" grunted the colonel between swallows. "Don't you know I was never married? Isabel dismissed me then and there for losing the ring she had given me. And Sadie, when I asked her later to marry me, replied with ill concealed horror that she was sorry, but that she could never under any circumstances marry a piece of a man whose dismembered fragments were in the habit of embracing every woman whom their former owner might take a fancy to."

And the colonel set down his empty glass and went to join another group.—Nickell.

Not In Love.

The cashier of a French bank enters the private office of the president, nervous and agitated.

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Teacher—Why, no; of course not. Why do you ask such a question?

Bobby—'Cause I was thinkin if they had b'en they'd 'a' et Eve f'r a spare-rib.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

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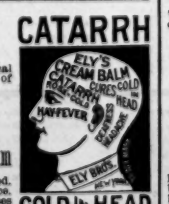

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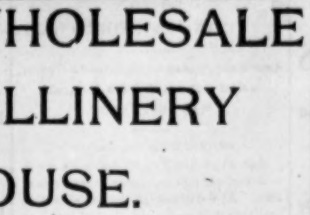

We have greatly increased and enlarged our millinery department and are now in the wholesale business as well as the retail business, and we write this advertisement for the benefit of the whole sale trade. In a few days it will be spring and sunshine, and then the merchants will be having calls for Ladies' trimmed Hats, Sailors and Children's Hats. We are now antic pating your wants and make ready to fill your orders better than we have ever been able to do. We are now working our best trimmers in full force with extra help employed. We will give you price list of some of the things we have to sell and ask you for your orders and will guarantee prices and guarantee satisfaction or you have privilege to return the goods at our expense after examination. We have Ladies's Banded Sailors with nice sweatbands, for $1.90 a dozen. Very fine Rough Straw Sailors, banded, for $2 25 a dozen. Wide brim, Rough Straw Sailors, unbanded, at $1.50 a dozen. Children's Banded Sailors, assorted colors, and assorted braids, nice nobby goods, $2 25 a dozen. Children's and Misses' Trimmed Flats, rough straw braid, trimmed in wreath ribbon or with wreath and silk mull, at $4.50 a dozen. Ladies' Shapes, trimmed, assorted, at $6.00 a dozen. No special style.

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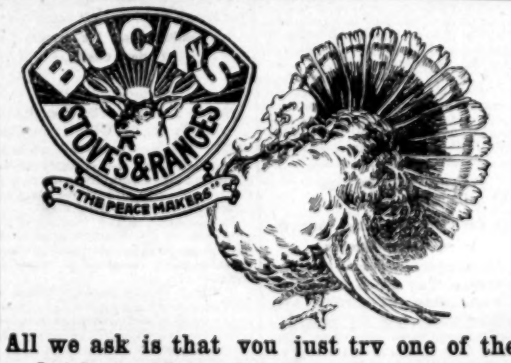

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ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans	$546 945 63	Capital Stock	$125,000 00
U. S. Bonds	210 000 00	Surplus, &c	185,301 91
Bank Building	1 000 00	Circulation	95 100 00
Redemption Fund	4 703 50	Deposits	1,023,371 31
In Vault	69 181 61		
In Banks	218,483 91—287,117 59		
Total	$1,368 963 22	Total	$1,368,963 22

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Close connection at Atlanta for Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and all points in Texas, Mexico and California; also for Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Western and Northwestern points. Connects at Hamlet with train No 37 for Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa and other Florida points; also with train 44 for Raleigh, Petersburg, Portsmouth and Norfolk, Richmond, Washington, Baltimore and New York. Other trains leave Hamlet as follows: Train No 81 for Columbia and points South at 6:45 A. M. Train No. 403 for Monroe, Charlotte, Lincolnton, Shelby and Rutherfordton Athens, Atlanta and all points southwest at 6 45 A. M. Train No 38 for Raleigh, Norfolk and points North at 8:10 A. M. Train No 66 for Raleigh, Richmond and points North at 8:10 A. M.

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TRAIN 38 Leaves Hamlet at 8:30 A. M., arrives Maxton 9:05 A. M. Pembroke 9:21 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon. This train takes passengers at Hamlet from train No 81 (Florida Limited) leaving Richmond at 10:40 P. M. and arriving at Hamlet at 6:45 A. M.; from train No. 403 leaving Norfolk at 9:00 P. M., arriving at Hamlet at 6:45 A. M.; from train No 38 leaving Atlanta at 9:00 P. M. and Charlotte at 5:00 A. M., arriving at Hamlet at 7:50 A. M.

Other trains arrive at Hamlet as follows: Train 404 from Atlanta, Rutherfordton, Shelby, Lincolnton Charlotte and Monroe 9:05 P. M.; train No. 41 from Portsmouth at 8:55 P. M.; train No. 37 from Richmond and points North at 7:50 P. M.; train No. 44 from Columbia and points South at 9:15 P. M., and train No. 66 from Columbia and points South at 9 00 A. M.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'r Trains Arrive	Pass'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'r Trains Arrive	Pass'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	2 40	Goldsboro.....	10	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	9 57	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	8 32	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.55 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 11.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 5.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.35 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.10 A. M., Warsaw 11.24 A. M., Goldsboro 12.01 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.48 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.40 P. M., Petersburg 6.36 P. M., Richmond 7.22 P. M., Norfolk 5.15 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M. Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.07 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 6.46 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.23 P. M., Weldon 1.39 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 3.50 A. M., Richmond 4.00 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 5.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.25 A. M., New York 1.00 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 5.45 P. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.35 P. M., Savannah 2.45 A. M., Jacksonville 6.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.10 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †3.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.30 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.43 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.55 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.55 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.32 P. M., Magnolia 4.55 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 9.30 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 3.55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.57 P. M., Petersburg 7 45 P. M., †Norfolk 3.00 P. M., Weldon 9.10 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 8.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 8.57 A. M., Goldsboro 9.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.53 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 12.30 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 9.25 A. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.30 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 2.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.25 P. M. Columbia 9.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.25 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.10 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leave Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Marion 9.05 A. M. Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Parkton 10.41 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.16 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M. Marion 6.10 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.18 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Marion with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 9.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.30 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.58 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.13 A. m., Weldon 11.35 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 10.10 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M and 7.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10 10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C., Branch leaves Goldsboro, daily except Sunday, 5.00 A. M.; arriving Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 5.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.40 A. M., 4.00 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.30 P. M. arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M. arrive Latta 10.51 A. M., Dillon 10.40 A. M., Howland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.06 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.28 P. M., Latta 6.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 11 50 A. M.; arrive Conway 1.30 P. M.; returning leave Conway 3 40 P. M. arrive Chadbourn 5.00 P. M. leave Chadbourn 7 00 A. M.; arrive Kirod 10.35 A. M., returning leave Kirod 8.55 P. M. arrive Chadbourn 8.35 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 3.35 P. M., Manning 6.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.06 A. M., Manning 8.47 A. M.; arrive Sumter 10.50 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.50 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; †5.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.19 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 8 00 P. M.; arrive Darlington

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 9.

CUBAN TARIFF MATTERS.

The Export Duty on Tobacco Abolished by Order of President McKinley--Extent of the Trade Affected.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The President to day issued an executive order abolishing the Cuban export duty on tobacco from April 1 next. This action was taken on the earnest recommendation of the Cuban economic commission which recently visited Washington, endorsed by General Wood. A previous order had been issued fixing an export duty of fifty per cent. on Cuban tobacco from April 1st. To-day's action removes the export duty entirely.

General Wood's approval of the abolition of this export duty is practically an expression of his belief that the Cuban revenues from other sources are sufficient for the needs of the insular government. The original idea was that the tobacco tax was necessary to fully meet the financial requirements of the government.

The abolition of duty affects cigars and cigarettes as well as tobacco in leaf, filler or cut, and all of the various classes of tobacco, raw and manufactured, having heretofore been subject to various rates of duty. That on cigars has been $1 35 per thousand; on cigarettes in boxes, 90 cents per thousand; cut tobacco, $3 75 per hundred kilos; leaf or filler tobacco, $6.35 per hundred kilos, except that harvested in the province of Santiago de Cuba and exported through the custom houses at Santiago, Gibara or Manzanillo, which paid $2 00 per hundred kilos. All of these duties are abolished under the order of to day.

It is estimated by the War Department officials that the abrogation of the tobacco duties will cause a loss of about $800,000 to $1,000 000 per year.

But it is said that this loss will be offset by the encouragement given to the planters in Cuba to increase their production. The extent of the trade affected by the order is very large, the tobacco exports amounting to about $20,000 000 a year. Of this, by far the larger part came to the United States. The total value of unmanufactured tobacco exported within the seven months ending July 31st last was $5,720,000, and of this the export to the United States amounted to $4,875,000.

In the same period the export of Cuban cigars was largest to Great Britain, the United States coming second. The total value of the cigar exports for the seven months was $6,030,000.

It was announced at the War Department that the Secretary of War has decided that all provisions of the present Cuban tariff, unless amended by proper authority, shall remain in effect until the proposed revisions of the present Cuban tariff, unless the proposed revision by the Havana commission becomes operative. This also applies to paragraph 218 which admits railroad materials to roads actually building and for planters use at a duty of 10 per cent. This specially low rate was to have ceased at the end of the present month. It is now continued indefinitely.

The tariff as a whole was to continue in force only until June 15th next. It likewise is to continue indefinitely.

CUBA'S CONVENTION

The Committee on Relations to Which Was Referred the Platt Amendment.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, March 8.—The Committee on Relations, of the Cuban Constitutional Convention, to which was referred the Platt amendment, is made up of three Radicals, Silva, Villauenda and Gualberto Gomez, and two Conservatives, Tamayo and Quesada. Tamayo, the chairman, it is understood, is now in favor of accepting the amendment in its entirety. He intends taking a firm stand in this position and will send a minority report to the convention if necessary. His political influence and position are expected to have a good effect with the other members. The committee held a short secret meeting this afternoon and appointed Senor Gomez secretary.

Political demonstrations have ceased, and there is absolute quietness throughout the island.

MONTANA'S SENATOR.

Hon. Paris Gibson, Democrat, Elected by the State Legislature.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HELENA, MONT., March 8.—At half past three this morning, on the 22nd ballot for the day, Hon. Paris Gibson (Democrat), of Great Falls, was elected U. S. Senator for the term expiring March 4th, 1905.

Mr. Gibson is a native of New Hampshire, built the first flouring mill in Minneapolis, came to Montana in 1879, and in 1883 became interested in the water power resources at the site of the present city of Great Falls, of which he is called the father. He always has been a strong Democrat.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, March 8th, 1901.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending March 8th, 1901:

	1901.	1900.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week.....	135,210	155,661
Total receipts to this date.....	5,834 631	5,631,046
Exports for week..	104,101	147,377
Total exports to date.....	4,057,706	4,145,106
Stock in all U. S. ports.....	849,526	918,659
Stock at all interior towns.....	648 610	412 776
Stock in Liverpool,	763,000	615,000
American afloat for Great Britain.....	140,000	252,000

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All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O, after suffering eighteen months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on earth and the best Salve in the world. Only 25 cents a box. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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A CRISIS IN FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS

Secret Negotiations Going on Between the United States and Great Britain.

ALARMED AT RUSSIA'S ACTION

Must Be Forced to Give Up Designs Upon Manchuria—Regarded as Vital Both for Future of China and Continued Concert of Powers.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 8.—A crisis has arisen in Far Eastern affairs which, in the opinion of the British government, is graver almost than the troubles which originally turned the eyes of the world toward the Orient. Secret negotiations are going on between the United States and Great Britain with a view to thwarting what both governments appear to consider a determined attempt on the part of Russia to plant herself permanently in one of the richest tracts of the Chinese Empire.

The conference held Wednesday between United States Ambassador Choate and Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, had nothing to do with the Nicaraguan canal affair. To quote from a British official, "the Nicaragua controversy is a minor matter compared with the present situation." What Mr. Choate did was to receive from Lord Lansdowne an important message declaring that Great Britain was not satisfied with Russia's declaration regarding Manchuria, as delivered to Sir Charles Stewart Scott, British Ambassador to St. Petersburg, by Count Lamsdorf, and asking the United States if they were prepared to take joint action of such a decisive nature that Russia would have no alternative but to recede from her position.

Almost simultaneously, the Associated Press understands, the United States government instructed the various ambassadors to take similar steps.

The answer of Secretary Hay has apparently not yet been received in London, although the fact that almost concurrent instructions were issued from Washington is taken here to be a sufficient guarantee that Russia's action in Manchuria will not be tolerated in the United States.

The Other Powers.

Japan is relied upon to take a line in harmony with the United States and Great Britain.

Germany, in spite of the Anglo-German compact, is regarded as rather doubtful, owing to Emperor William's friendship for the Czar.

France, of course, will side with her ally.

The significance of the present phase can only be appreciated by those cognizant of the lethargic attitude of the British government hitherto regarding Russian action in China. Within the last few days all this has changed. What a week or two ago was pronounced only in line with Russia's usual policy, is now termed a "grave and a serious state of affairs."

Lord Lansdowne is using every effort to bring the powers into line, in order to present to Russia such a menacing front that, without any ambiguity regarding temporary or other occupation, she may give up all designs upon Manchuria.

What prompts the British Foreign Office to take such an alarmist view of circumstances usually looked upon as fatalistic sequences, is the apprehension that Russia, having held her own in spite of the protest of the ministers of the Powers to the Chinese government, and having put herself on record in the reply to Sir Charles Scott as determined on at least a temporary occupation of Manchuria, will refuse to back down. That she must do so Lord Lansdowne considers vital both for the future of China and for the continued existence of the concert of the Powers.

"Count Lamsdorf's reply to Sir General Scott is considered quite unsatisfactory. If such excuses are accepted by the Powers," said a British official last evening to the Associated Press, "there will be nothing to prevent the immediate partition of China, for, with almost exactly the same verbiage, any European power could justify the occupation of other provinces."

Upon the degree of support afforded the movement by Germany and Japan depends the result of what is understood to be the almost synchronous action of Washington and London.

BERLIN, March 8.—The German press believes that Russia's assurances regarding Manchuria to Sir Charles Stewart Scott, British ambassador in St. Petersburg, are insincere and intended to blind the world.

The *National Zeitung* frankly asserts that this is their object.

What is Said in Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Just to what extent our government has expressed itself to the other Powers regarding the attitude of Russia in respect to the occupation of Manchuria, and what, if anything, has been received from the British Foreign Office, would not be divulged here by the officials to-night. Our government deems it inexpedient for the Chinese to make any independent arrangement with any foreign Power while the peace negotiations are in progress at Pekin. An identical note conveying these sentiments has been sent by the United States to each of the Powers interested in the settlement of the conditions growing out of the Boxer troubles. The Chinese Imperial government also has been acquainted with these sentiments.

The statement is made very positively here to-night that the United States is not in "secret negotiations" with any other Power regarding China. Our practice in dealing with the Chinese situation uniformly has been to make known the attitude of the United States to all the nations interested and for this purpose identical notes have been sent to them when matters of great importance were under consideration. At the same time the intimation is conveyed that the London dispatches on the subject are overdrawn.

LONDON, March 9th.—"There is much activity in Japanese naval, military and political circles regarding Russia's action in Manchuria" says a dispatch to the *Daily Mail*, from Kobo, dated March 8th. "It is reported that six hundred Russian marines, with ten guns, have landed at Masanpo, Korea."

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st, 1900: Galveston, 1,653,401 bales; New Orleans, 1,974,799; Mobile, 119 070; Savannah, 890,445; Charleston, 304 295; Wilmington, 243.683; Norfolk, 325,980; Baltimore, 50,791; New York, 129,997; Boston, 168,325; Newport News, 18,119; Philadelphia, 16,878; Brunswick, 60,985; Port Arthur, 14,267; Pensacola, 105,515. Total, 5,984,631 bales.

A SERIOUS RIOT IN SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.

Americans Stoned on the Streets--Troops Called Out and the Mob Dispersed With Little Trouble.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, March 8.—A serious riot occurred here yesterday. At 6 o'clock in the evening five artillerymen and a corporal of artillery named Hiscock, left their guard post without orders and charged across the plaza into a street in which a mob of people had assembled. The soldiers fired a volley into the air, dispersed the mob and rescued School Superintendent Armstrong, who was besieged by the mob in a house situated about a block from the city center.

The city had been overrun by a riotous crowd of probably 1,400 persons who shouted "Down with the Americans!" The superintendent had reprimanded a ten year-old girl for disobedience, and forcibly, but harmlessly, marched her to the front from the rear of the school room. Her dress caught in a desk and was torn, and the girl reported to her mother that she had been kicked and abused. This evoked sensational stories, and some of the school boys paraded the streets and were joined by many loafers and full grown men. The superintendent, and the policemen who escorted him were stoned in the streets and the Americans sought refuge in the Intendencia building. At 5 o'clock Governor Allen ordered the mayor to disperse the mob, notifying him that he should ask for government assistance if he was in need of it. The mayor, however, ignored this notification, although the city police were powerless. At 5:30 P. M. the offices were closed and Martin C. Brumbough, the commissioner of education of Porto Rico, asked for police protection of his office and hotel.

A treasury clerk who was one of the men who ejected rioters from the Intendencia, was attacked, stoned and disarmed by a mob. The insular police were not called upon until six p. m, when the artillery men mentioned took the initiative without orders. Meantime, the city police had fired about one hundred shots, mostly in the air, for there were no casualties.

Several other Americans, besides the treasury clerk, were stoned from roofs and balconies. There have been no demonstrations to-day.

Corporal Hiscock has been placed under arrest and probably will be tried by court martial.

SENATE READY TO ADJOURN.

Would Have Adjourned Yesterday But Waited for the Arrival of the New Senator from Oregon.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Final adjournment of the extraordinary session of the Senate would have been taken to-day had the new Senator from Oregon, Mr. Mitchell, been present to take the oath of office. He could not reach Washington until to morrow, however, and adjournment was postponed until that time.

No business of importance was transacted in open session. After routine business had been disposed of Senator Lodge, Massachusetts, moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business. The motion prevailed unanimously, on a demand for a roll call made by Senator Hoar, whose particular reason was that the name of Senator Allen, of Nebraska, should be included thus officially in the roll of Senators. Some question was raised as to the right of Senator Allen to draw his pay in the new Congress under his appointment by the Governor of Nebraska. The calling of his name settled his status as a Senator, though he was absent from the chamber at the time.

At 10.08 P. M. the Senate resumed legislative business. Senator Hoar offered a resolution to appoint a comtee of two Senators to notify the President that the Senate was ready to adjourn without day, Senator Morgan objected, explaining that as Mr. Mitchell would be here to morrow, it was due him that the Senate remain in session that he might take the oath of office before final adjournment. The resolution went over until to morrow.

At 1.10 P. M. the Senate adjourned.

COLLIER AJAX ON FIRE.

Broke Out Three Weeks Ago When the Vessel Was at Gibraltar.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., March 8.—Coal in No. 3 compartment of the collier Ajax has been on fire since the vessel left Gibraltar over three weeks ago. Returning from Manila the Ajax took on coal at Port Said and at Malta for use on her homeward journey. The day after leaving Gibraltar dense smoke commenced rising from the hold and gave warning that the ship was on fire and the pumps were set to work. In a short time the fire apparently was extinguished. There was no other trouble until a week ago, about the time the Ajax reached this side, when the fire broke out afresh in No. 3 compartment and has so far defied the efforts of the crew to extinguish it. The Ajax is now lying near the dry dock at the Norfolk navy yaad, and a large force of men is removing the coal from No. 3 compartment. This afternoon all danger was believed to be over, although the coal was still afire.

DANISH WEST INDIES.

Negotiations for a Sale to the United States Broken Off.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 9.—The *Morning Post* and *Daily Express* publish dispatches from Copenhagen declaring that the negotiations between Denmark and the United States for the purchase by the latter of the Danish West Indies have been definitely broken off.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—An emphatic denial is given at the State Department to a statement published in a London newspaper that the United States government has addressed a note "almost threatening in tone," to the Danish government, declaring that it will not permit a transfer of the Danish West Indies to any foreign power.

The Danish government knows precisely the amount of money the executive branch of the United States government is willing to pay for the islands, provided the assent of Congress can be obtained.

When the Danish cabinet is willing to accept the price offered, a treaty will be speedily arranged for submission to Congress at its next session.

The three-masted schooner Chas. P. Walston, with ice from Maine, arrived, five weeks over due, at Cape Charles, Va.

For Croup use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

THE BOER WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

British Report Negotiations for a Termination of the Hostilities.

DEWET STILL IN THE FIELD.

A Seven Days Armistice Granted Botha to Enable Him to Confer With Other Generals — Captures Reported by Gen. Kitchener.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 8.—A dispatch from Pretoria, dated Tuesday, March 5th, evidently held up by the censor, says General Kitchener met General Botha and other Boer leaders at Middelburg February 27th and discussed the possibility of the termination of hostilities. Another dispatch from Pretoria, dated Wednesday, March 6th, says their meeting has awakened deep interest and that there are favorable expectations as to the probable outcome.

According to the *Sun* the surrender of General Botha would have been an accomplished fact before now had General Kitchener been in a position to conclude the terms of surrender. When the surrender occurs, the *Sun* adds, it will include the surrender or entire suppression of General DeWet and will involve the termination of the war

LONDON, March 8.—A special dispatch from Pretoria, dated to-day (Friday) says General Kitchener and General Botha had a lengthy conference on Gun Hill this morning. General Botha was alone and General Kitchener was accompanied by his secretary.

Boer Attack Failed.

Lord Kitchener, reporting under date of March 7th says:

The Boers failed in their determined attack upon Lichtenburg. Our losses, besides the two officers previously reported, were fourteen men killed and twenty wounded. The Boer General Cellers was killed.

DeWet's position is variously reported, as his men are scattering through the Orange colony. Our troops, marching north, reached Petrusburg to-day.

French reports further capture of a fourteen pounder Creusot, with carriage and limber complete and one Hotchkiss, making a total of seven guns. The total number of Boers known to have been placed hors de combat since the eastern operations began is nine hundred and seventy-nine.

British Captures.

Adding to his last report Lord Kitchener states that 69 rifles, 24 970 rounds of ammunition, 183 horses, 1,240 trek oxen, 3,920 cattle, 13 580 sheep, 100 wagons and carts and large quantities of forage have been captured without casualties in Cape Colony.

He further reports:

"Parsons found a small commando north of Aberdeen and attacked them. Kritzinger's commando yesterday entered Pearston, but Gorringe turned them out, and De Lisle headed them off on the road to Somerset East."

An Armistice.

LORENZO, MARQUES, March 8.—General Kitchener has granted General Botha a seven days' armistice to enable him to confer with the other generals

CAPE TOWN, March 8.—Three hundred Boers surrounded fifty of Driscoll's scouts March 2d at a kraal near Dooernberg. The scouts held out for a day and night before relief reached them. The Boers captured seventeen.

AFFAIRS IN PEKIN.

The French Say They Will Send No More Expeditions Into the Country.

Li Hung Chang.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PEKIN, March 8.—The French have unofficially notified Count von Waldersee that they will send no more expeditions into the country unless circumstances absolutely compel, and that they will also withdraw their outposts beyond Pao Ting Fu.

Mr. Rockhill, at the meeting of the ministers of the Powers to morrow, will propose that meetings be held hereafter daily in order to carry the business through.

Li Hung Chang says the return of the Temples of Heaven and Agriculture to the Chinese is absolutely necessary before the dignity of the court will permit it to come back to Pekin.

LONDON, March 9.—The Tien Tsin correspondent of the *Standard* asserts that pamphlets are widely and secretly circulated, villifying foreigners and inciting the "Boxers" to make renewed efforts.

BULGARIA ALARMED.

At Turkish Troops Concentrating on the Macedonian Frontier.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SOFIA, BULGARIA, March 8.—Increasing apprehension is felt in Bulgaria at concentration of Turkish troops on the Macedonian frontier Large quantities of arms and ammunition have been secretly imported into the vilayets of Kossovo, Uskuv and Monastir

Two Russian officers who have recently toured in Northern Macedonia, incognito, left last evening for St. Petersburg.

The Bulgarian government has received sharp reminders from three of the great Powers that it will be held responsible for the preservation of order in the border districts.

Great anxiety exists in Albania, which is in a state of unusual fermont.

EMPEROR WILLIAM.

Hundreds of Congratulatory Messages Received—His Assailant.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERLIN, March 8.—Emperor William has received congratulations on his escape from more serious injury from nearly every European potentiate. Hundreds of congratulatory despatches have come from England, including King Edward's, while a message from President McKinley was worded in particularly cordial terms.

All of the papers now agree that the attempt was quite devoid of political animus. Weiland never affiliated with the Socialists. He will now undergo through observation by a renowned alienist, whose verdict will be decisive.

The Emperor does not allow any one to see him except his physicians. The whole right side of the face and neck is bandaged, leaving free only the left eye and cheek.

R. E. Elliott, editor, of the Austell, Ga., *News*, committed suicide yesterday at Atlanta.

MRS. NATION'S CASE.

Her Husband Testifies She Began Her Crusade Upon His Advice.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WICHITA, KAS., March 8.—In the trial of his absent wife to-day, David Nation testified that she began her "smashing" crusade against saloons upon the advice of himself and Ed Semple, of Medicine Lodge, as lawyers. They told her that saloons were outside the pale of the law and could be abated in any manner any individual might choose.

Mrs. Nation's attorney's are contending that no person acting under the advice of a lawyer as to the legality of an action can be held responsible for an offence committed against the law. Since Mr Nation's voluntary admission as to advising his wife there is talk of proceeding against him as an accessory before the fact.

REFORMS IN CHINA.

A Memorial Presented to the Throne by Viceroy Liu Kun Yi.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SHANGHAI, March 8.—An article in the *China Gazette*, published to-day, says that Viceroy Liu Kun Yi has submitted a memorial to the throne in favor of a reform on the following basis:

"The establishment of a permanent constitution; a complete change in the educational system; the selection of only qualified men for the civil service; the creation of an army by conscription; the adoption of a systematic scheme of finance; the establishment of an imperial bank, empowered to issue notes that shall be current throughout China; the enactment of laws to encourage the establishment of newspapers, and the removal of the present distinction between Chinese and Manchus.

SIX-INCH GUN BURST

At the Proving Grounds, Fort Wadsworth. No Casualties.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 8.—A six inch gun, undergoing its official test, burst to day at Fort Wadsworth. The heavier parts of the gun collapsed, falling to the ground with the tangled steel frames of its carriage. The breech block was hurled against the barricade, where it was shattered against the steel bolts, and its parts deflecting, spread destruction in all directions.

Tracks on which several construction cars were standing were twisted like wire, and two of the cars overturned and badly damaged. Two of the employes in the construction department had narrow escapes from death. Captain Babbitt is conducting an investigation.

A KENTUCKY FEUD.

The Garrard and White Factions—Two Men Slightly Wounded

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MANCHESTER, KY., March 8.—While several members of the Garrard faction were in Attorney Cash's office yesterday afternoon filing bail bonds for four friends, a shotgun was fired, apparently from the court house nearby, and slightly wounded several of those present The Garrards thought the White faction instigated the shooting. They rushed out, shooting right and left, and fired over a hundred shots, principally in the direction of the court house. Stephen Spurlock and Edward Garrard were slightly wounded.

Fearing a second attack, the sheriff swore in deputies, and the four prisoners were removed to the London jail.

WARM WIRELETS.

The steamship Tactician cleared from New Orleans yesterday for Cape Town with one thousand horses.

The British steamer Alvona, Captain Lennox, has been wrecked near Bilbao, Spain. All on board were lost.

The directors of the Southern Railway Company have declared a semi annual dividend of 2 per cent. for the last dividend period.

A heavy gale is sweeping the English channel. A three masted schooner has been wrecked on the Rochardo rocks, near Brest. It is believed her crew perished.

Henry Graves, William Johnson and Henry Brooks, negroes, were handged at Richmond, Little River county, Arkansas, for murdering Edward Evans, white, and Frank Hopson, colored.

Little hope of recovery is held out for former Congressman Charles F. Sprague, of Brookline, Mass., who has been admitted to McLean asylum at Waverly, suffering from chronic nervous disease.

Former U. S. Senator Carter, of Montana, has been appointed by the President a U. S commissioner of the St. Louis Exposition. He has accepted the offer. The position pays $5,000 a year.

T. J. Dumas, one of the wealthiest manufacturers and cotton merchants of Alabama, died in New Orleans yesterday. He was a director in the Mobile and Birmingham railroad and had other large holdings

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Overworked and tired women are but one class of persons who are in urgent need of the wonderful remedy to make and keep them well. Business men who are not sleeping soundly, shop girls made pale and sickly by long hours of indoor work, and the countless sufferers from dyspepsia, kidney and liver trouble, need the invigorating effect of Paine's celery compound now that spring, with all its dangers, is at hand. Its pre-eminence as a health-maker comes from its extraordinary powers of supplying appropriate nutriment to the blood, nerves and brain.

There isn't a family so rich or so poor as to afford to be without a bottle of Paine's celery compound in these early spring days, when the human system needs every assistance to carry it through the depressing effects of the season when nature makes it easiest to replenish the blood with new, healthful material, and feed the nervous system with strength for future work.

What Paine's celery compound has done for thousands of others it will do for the reader, and once this great medicine is given a trial, another person will be added to the multitude who praise its wonderful virtues.

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